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RE: **Proposed Amendment**
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Attached is a proposed amendment for discussion at the interview we wish to schedule upon reassignment of this case to a new Examiner, as per our telephone discussion this morning.

Please call if you have any questions.

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **May 28, 2004**, please amend the above-identified application as follows: